

BUSH TAKES CHARGE

New Head of Western Maryland Assumes Duties.

CONTEMPLATES NO CHANGES

Railroad President Says He Will Carry Out the Policy Laid Down by His Predecessor—Noncommittal About Washash Link Between Cumberland and Wheeling.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Baltimore, March 18.—Benjamin F. Bush, the new president of the Western Maryland Railroad, was at the general offices of the company, in the Continental Building, this morning and met the heads of the various departments located in Baltimore. Mr. Bush arrived here yesterday afternoon and is stopping at the Hotel Belvedere. Mr. F. S. Landstreet, who retired from the vice presidency of the road to-morrow, is also in the city and spent the better part of the day in going over the affairs of the road with the new president.

Mr. Bush is a comparatively young man; in fact, he looks even younger than the years credited him—forty-five. He is tall—something like six feet—and of heavy build. He is clean shaven, has dark brown hair, and his whole appearance indicates great force of character.

No Change in Policy.

"I don't believe I can say very much now," said Mr. Bush, when asked as to the policy he will pursue. "I might remind you that I am not yet the president," he added with a smile. "Mr. Pierce does not retire until to-morrow. But you can say that I will carry out the policy laid down by Mr. Pierce and Mr. Landstreet."

When the subject of the link to connect the Western Maryland at Cumberland with the Washash at Wheeling was brought up Mr. Bush said he was unable to give any news about it. "As you know, just at this time," he said, "monetary conditions are such that it will be difficult to attempt to carry on the work. I cannot say whether the line will be built by the Western Maryland or by a company to be organized and controlled by the Western Maryland. But it will be built just as soon as conditions are favorable. The thing was planned by Messrs. Pierce and Landstreet, and as I said before, my plans now are simply to carry out their policies. You see, both of them will remain on the board, so that the company will not lose them altogether."

New Vice President.

Mr. Bush said that there will be a vice president chosen to succeed Mr. Landstreet, but could not say who it would be. In some quarters it is thought that Mr. Alexander Robertson, the general manager, may be given the post.

MARSHAL CATCHES SCORCHER.

Glen Echo Officer Comes to Grief in Collision with Auto.

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Glen Echo, Md., March 18.—Charles P. Collins, town marshal of Glen Echo, met with a painful injury while riding on his wheel endeavoring to catch a scorching automobile. Collins was standing in front of the Glen Echo post-office, when a large touring car came bounding down the road at the rate of eighteen to twenty miles an hour. After the machine had passed him the officer mounted his wheel and started in pursuit. Collins was riding rather rapidly with his eyes to the ground and came upon the autist near Glen Echo Park. The driver of the machine looked around and saw him coming at break-neck speed, and stopped his machine short. Collins, not looking for such a sudden stop, could not turn quickly enough to go by the auto and a rear-end collision resulted. Collins falling from his wheel to the ground in a heap. The autist looked around and smiled and sped on his way, leaving Collins to help himself as best he could. Collins soon recovered himself and found he was all right save for a few bruises. An hour later he was seen pacing another machine over the same track.

STEAMBOAT LINE PLANNED.

May Affect Rates Between Richmond and Norfolk, Va.

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Richmond, Va., March 18.—The docks on the river front were measured this morning for the purpose of ascertaining what size steamers they will float. A New York corporation is considering the practicability of putting a new steamboat line on the river between Richmond and Norfolk. If two lines are operated on the river between Richmond and Norfolk, the element of competition will enter largely into the rates and it is probable that lower rates will be put into immediate effect.

Fair Grounds to Be Improved.

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Richmond, Va., March 18.—General Manager Theodore H. Coleman, of the Virginia State Fair Association, announced to-day that he has completed his plans for starting work to-morrow morning rearranging and improving the fair grounds, and that the work will be kept going steadily forward from now until October 8, when the gates will be thrown open for the second annual exhibition of the association.

Strike Settled by Arbitration.

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Frostburg, Md., March 18.—The strike of the clay miners of the Great Savage Firebrick Company, near Frostburg, has been settled by arbitration. The miners receive an increase in wages from 60 to 65 cents a car and the drivers from \$1.50 to \$1.75 a day. Better cars are to be provided, also a rope-draw, better air, and more drivers and laborers.

Postmistress to Be Removed.

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Lynchburg, Va., March 18.—The report that Mrs. J. Hampton Hoge, postmistress at Blacksburg, is to be removed for not giving the office her personal attention is confirmed here to-day in an official manner. The change is to be made as soon as it can be reached in the routine at Washington. It is known that Referee Herman has been asked to name Mrs. Hoge's successor.

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MONTGOMERY COURT OPENS.

Members of Grand Jury Drawn for March Term.

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Rockville, Md., March 18.—The March term of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County convened here this morning, with Judge James B. Henderson on the bench. John Thomas, of Olney district, was selected for foreman of the grand jury, and the other members were drawn as follows: Winfred E. Barry, Charles V. Morrison, Charles H. Barber, Stanley D. Galtner, Frank L. Hewitt, John K. Mount, Robert W. Stone, William E. Powell, John R. Johnston, Luther J. Moore, Thomas H. Marshall, Armstrong H. Griffith, Philip F. Mossburg, William O. Paisley, Arthur W. Stone, John R. Collins, William Hill, Elmer C. Hersperger, Alfred C. Tolson, W. Grafton Holland, George F. Burdette, and John S. McConey.

In his charge to the grand jury Judge Henderson referred especially to the murder of Mrs. Mary Lang, which occurred near Wheaton about ten days ago. He characterized it as a crime of peculiar horror, and stated that for "the sake of humanity and the county" he hoped that the perpetrator was mentally unbalanced at the time. He told the members of the jury that it was not a part of their duty, however, to inquire into any one's mental condition; that, he said, was for another tribunal.

The petit jury is composed of Julius B. Duval, John R. Lewis, Harry J. Harris, George M. Cecil, William H. Wade, Clark Galtner, William E. Irwin, Tilton R. Stabler, John P. Keiser, Frederick A. Albrutt, Bernard W. McCrosslin, William W. Kinney, John Bonfont, Charles E. Rich, Philip J. Case, Harry G. Hoves, Robert D. Isherwood, George U. Frey, Charles E. Stephens, William U. Wochter, Nelson H. Robertson, Edward P. Oxley, Jones F. Hoyte, Elias V. King and Levi A. Tabler.

The following cases are docketed for trial at this term: Criminals, 124; appeals, 35; trials, 48; judgments, 9; foreign trials, 1; appeals, 9.

NOT ENGAGED TO WED PRINCE

Father of Miss Nora Langhorne Denies Rumor.

Proprietor of "Mirador" Declares His Daughter Has Never Seen Met Francis of Teck.

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